



Office of the City Manager

CONSENT CALENDAR  
April 28, 2020

To: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council  
 From: Dee Williams-Ridley, City Manager  
 Submitted by: Scott Ferris, Director, Parks Recreation & Waterfront  
 Subject: Contract: ENGEO for Testing and Inspection Services for Berkeley Tuolumne Camp Construction Project

RECOMMENDATION

Adopt a Resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract and any amendments with ENGEO in an amount not to exceed \$500,000 to provide construction testing and inspection services (including Geotechnical inspections) for the Berkeley Tuolumne Camp Project for the period May 1, 2020 through July 1, 2022.

FISCAL IMPACTS OF RECOMMENDATION

Funds for the contract are available in the Camps Fund. There is \$250,000 included in the FY19 Camps Fund budget (budget code 125-52-543-583-0000-000-461-612990 PRWCP19001). The remaining \$250,000 will be included in the third amendment to FY20 Annual Appropriations Ordinance and budgeted in the Camps Fund budget code 125-52-543-583-0000-000-461-612990 PRWCP19001.

The cost of this this contract is covered by insurance payments (partially received).

CURRENT SITUATION AND ITS EFFECTS

In August 2013, the California Rim Fire destroyed the Berkeley Tuolumne Camp (BTC), a residential family camp located within the Stanislaus National Forest. The closure of BTC has significantly impacted the Department of Parks, Recreation and Waterfront 'Camps Fund', which historically depended on the successful programming at BTC to support the finding of City-wide Camps programming and capital needs. Due to insurance coverage of business interruption losses and to successful re-organization of Camps programming, the Camps fund is projected to stay positive through FY22, however it has been unable to contribute to capital funding since the Rim Fire (historically \$250,000 per year).

Since the Rim Fire, the City has worked in partnership with the U.S. Forest Service to complete the design, environmental analyses and documentation and to secure permits for the reconstruction of Berkeley Tuolumne Camp. BTC was covered by the City's insurance policy and insurance is the primary source of funding for the reconstruction. The Project is also funded by a Public Assistance Grant from the Federal Emergency

Management Agency (FEMA) and California Office of Emergency Services (CalOES) and City funds.

### BACKGROUND

Berkeley Tuolumne Camp, established in 1922, is a 30-acre property operated under a Special Use Permit with the US Forest Service (USFS). The camp has served primarily as a family camp, but also offered teen leadership programs, adult hiking camps, and private group rental opportunities. Prior to the fire, BTC had the capacity to host approximately 280 campers, 60 staff members, and 10 counselors-in-training at one time, and served over 4,000 campers each year. The major facilities at the Camp included a Dining Hall; a Recreation Hall, 77 small single-story wood-frame camper tent cabins; staff cabins; maintenance and storage structures; a bridge across the river; parking and loading areas, and electric, water supply, and wastewater utilities.

In August of 2013, the Rim Fire destroyed Berkeley Tuolumne Camp (BTC) and in December was declared a federal disaster. The majority of structures at BTC were destroyed by the fire. The property was covered by the City's insurance policy, and insurance proceeds will be the primary source of reconstruction funds. The City has also been awarded a Public Assistance Grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and California Office of Emergency Services (CalOES) to partially fund reconstruction.

Since the fire, the City has been working closely with the USFS to complete an updated master plan in order to rebuild Camp. On June 11, 2019, USFS completed its environmental review and finding of no significant impact for the Berkeley Tuolumne Camp Project. On January 22, 2019, the City adopted the notice of determination of no significant impacts for the Project. On September 30, 2019, the USFS executed a Special Use Permit authorizing the City to reconstruction Berkeley Tuolumne Camp and to operate the Camp for a term of 30-years. The City has also received permits for the Project from the United States Forest Service, California Department of Fish and Wildlife, California Regional Water Quality Control Board, and the United States Army Corps of Engineers.

City staff have been working closely with Insurance and FEMA/CalOES staff to determine Project funding and cost recovery. Insurance has confirmed the eligibility of specific costs incurred by the Project to date, and the handling of future construction costs.

The total cost estimate for the Berkeley Tuolumne Camp Rebuild Project is \$55M. This cost will be covered by insurance, FEMA/CalOES grant funding, and City funds. On April 4, 2017, City Council allocated \$3.3M of City funds from the Catastrophic Reserve to fund the City cost share of the reconstruction project (Resolution No. 67,889-N.S.).

The City currently anticipates beginning construction in 2020, with a goal to re-open camp in 2022. Prior to construction, hazardous conditions at the Project site must be mitigated.

On February 10, 2020 the City issued a request for qualifications for testing and inspection services for the Berkeley Tuolumne Camp Project (Spec No. 20-11373-C). The City received six submittals and evaluated qualifications and conducted reference checks. The selection panel identified ENGEO as the consultant best suited to meet the City's needs for this Project.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

The City approved the Project CEQA documents on January 22, 2019. The United States Forest Service issued its final NEPA documents on June 11, 2019.

This Project will implement Best Management Practices (BMPs) to encourage biodiversity, preserve resources, and maintain riparian and other natural habitats while mitigating hazardous conditions.

#### RATIONALE FOR RECOMMENDATION

After reviewing six qualifications submittals and conducting reference checks, the selection panel identified ENGEO as the best-suited for the City's needs. Staff therefore recommends Council approval of a contract with ENGEO for testing and inspection services for the Berkeley Tuolumne Camp Reconstruction Project.

#### ALTERNATIVE ACTIONS CONSIDERED

The City does not have the expertise required to complete the tasks covered by this contract. Therefore no alternative actions were considered.

#### CONTACT PERSON

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Attachments:  
1: Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. ##,###-N.S.

CONTRACT: ENGEO FOR TESTING AND INSPECTION SERVICES FOR  
BERKELEY TUOLUMNE CAMP CONSTRUCTION PROJECT

WHEREAS, the City operated the Berkeley Tuolumne Camp, a residential family camp, since 1922 on United States Forest Service land pursuant to a special use permit; and

WHEREAS, in August 2013, the Berkeley Tuolumne Camp was destroyed by the California Rim Fire; and

WHEREAS, on January 22, 2019 the City of Berkeley adopted the Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation and Monitoring and Reporting Plan for the Berkeley Tuolumne Camp Permit (46690) Project; and

WHEREAS, on June 11, 2019, the U.S. Forest Service completed its environmental review and finding of no significant impact for the Berkeley Tuolumne Camp Project; and

WHEREAS, on September 30, 2019, the U.S. Forest Service executed a 30-year Special Use Permit for the reconstruction and operation of Berkeley Tuolumne Camp; and

WHEREAS, on February 10, 2020 the City issued a Request for Qualifications for construction testing and inspection services for the Berkeley Tuolumne Camp Project (Spec No. 20-11373-C) and after reviewing six submittals and conducting and reference checks the selection panel identified ENGEO as the consultant best-suited for the City's needs; and

WHEREAS, funds are available in the Camps Fund. There is \$250,000 included in the FY19 Camps Fund budget (budget code 125-52-543-583-0000-000-461-612990 PRWCP19001). The remaining \$250,000 will be included in the third amendment to FY20 Annual Appropriations Ordinance and budgeted in the Camps Fund budget code 125-52-543-583-0000-000-461-612990 PRWCP19001.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Berkeley that the City Manager is hereby authorized to execute a contract and any amendments with ENGEO in an amount not to exceed \$500,000 for construction testing and inspection services for the Berkeley Tuolumne Camp Project for the period May 1, 2020 through July 1, 2022. A record signature copy of said agreements and any amendments to be on file in the Office of the City Clerk.